



**Attachment A**  
**Community Court Outcomes Report**  
**September 2019**

**Purpose**

This report is prepared in fulfillment of Proviso P1 under Section 70, *District Court Mental Illness and Drug Dependency*, of King County Ordinance 18835, adopting the 2019-2020 Biennial Budget. It is organized according to the three specific sections (A, B, C) called for in the Proviso.

**A) “A description of the community court operations at each location, including a description of in-kind or other support provided by the city and other organizations in which each community court is located.”**

As of July 30, 2019, King County District Court is operating two community courts, and associated community resource centers, in conjunction with our partners at the Cities of Redmond and Burien and with the support of other public agencies, non-profits and local businesses. Both courts are well-established and are accepting and graduating participants (Redmond launched April 2018; Burien launched February 2019).

The community resource centers are open to everyone in the community (not just community court participants), and provide easy access to a wide range of essential services, including healthcare/insurance, education, job training, behavioral health, housing, substance use disorder treatment, etc. In total, the Redmond and Burien Community Resource Centers have served nearly 4,000 King County residents.

<i>Location</i>	<i>In-kind or other support</i>	
	<i>By cities</i>	<i>By other organizations</i>
<b>Redmond</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>City of Redmond:</b> Security for community court provided by Redmond police officers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>King County Library System:</b> Space for community court and community resource center in the Redmond Library</li> <li>• <b>32 service providers:</b> Have served 3,600+ people in the community resource center at tables staffed by their experts</li> <li>• <b>Sodexo:</b> Lunches for community court participants</li> <li>• <b>Open Kitchen at Redmond United Methodist Church:</b> Lunches for community court participants</li> <li>• <b>QFC:</b> Cupcakes for community court graduates</li> <li>• <b>Community members:</b> 600+ volunteer hours assisting visitors in the community court and the community resource center</li> </ul>
<b>Burien</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>City of Burien:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Space for community court and community resource center in the Burien Community Center</li> <li>- Security for community court</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>42 service providers:</b> Have served 369+ people in the community resource center at tables staffed by their experts</li> <li>• <b>Conscious Eatery:</b> Lunches for community court participants</li> <li>• <b>Highline Food Bank:</b> Emergency food for community members</li> <li>• <b>Safeway:</b> Cupcakes for community court graduates</li> <li>• <b>Starbucks:</b> Coffee and related supplies for community resource center participants</li> </ul>

	provided by Burien police officers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Community members:</b> 532+ volunteer hours assisting visitors in the community court and the community resource center</li> </ul>
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B) “For each community court location in 2019, the number of participants as of July 30, 2019, and the number of participants who have graduated, been removed or are still participating as of July 30, 2019.”

Court	Launch date	Totals from launch date through July 30, 2019			
		Participants	Graduates	Removals	Participants still in program
Redmond	Apr. 2018	129	65	7	55
Burien	Feb. 2019	15	1	2	12

Beyond the raw numbers of people served, we know that community court is helping people improve their lives. Here are several representative testimonials from anonymous surveys we ask each graduate to complete, and from TV interviews of community court graduates:

- “My experience here has saved my life. Not only am I off the drugs and staying clean by taking the healthy steps to live life clean, I also have been able to get myself back in a healthy structured living situation. I am so blessed to have the honor to be a part of this program.”
- “I am so glad I ended up in this program. It was really great getting encouragement every week checking in and feeling like everyone here really cared how I was doing. I feel like things are much better than they were, and the changes I made in my life will stay this time.”
- “If you look at the traditional court system, it’s just judgment and sentence. Here they actually want you to succeed and help you do better with your life, so you don’t make the same mistakes.”
- “This is such a positive program and it really helped. It was good to have to be accountable each week to a judge, and to work with folks who were encouraging and caring.”
- “I really loved the resource center, and I’m really happy they had that. Those people at the community court will tell you to go to that one table to talk to them and get you the help you need.”

C) “A plan for potential expansion in 2020, including the number of additional community courts, potential locations and information on the in-kind or other support that would be provided by the cities or other organizations in which the additional community courts would be located.”

Based on an evaluation of demographics and a vision of providing access to community courts and community resource centers to all residents of King County, King County District Court is working with city partners to have three additional community courts operating in 2020:

Location	Target launch date	In-kind support	Status
Shoreline	Dec. 2019	- Location for community court and resource center	Implementation actively underway to meet target launch date; Decision on

		- Security for community court	location and time/day of week for court by end of month; Security procured
<b>Auburn</b>	Jul. 2020	- Location for community court and resource center - Security for community court	Planning phase pending funding in the Q2 Omnibus
<b>Bellevue</b>	Dec. 2020	- Location for community court and resource center - Security for community court	District court and City of Bellevue in discussions

In addition to opening new community courts, King County District Court is working to expand the types of cases that are referred to community court – in order to benefit a wider range of people within the criminal justice system. Of note:

- An agreement with the King County Prosecuting Attorney’s Office (PAO) will allow state cases to be filed into Redmond. Additional mainstream cases can be referred to Community County in Burien in lieu of sanctions, including jail time. This action may include driving cases.
- Eligible expedited felony Violation of Uniform Controlled Substances Act (VUCSA) cases will be referred to Community Courts in Redmond and Burien by the end of 2019. If persons are compliant with the court contract, their case can be dismissed.

**Needs Assessment and Implementation Recommendations**  
**Community Justice in Redmond**  
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### Table of Abbreviations

<b>CC</b>	Community Court
<b>CCI</b>	Center for Court Innovation
<b>CCP</b>	Community Court Prosecutor
<b>CCPD</b>	Community Court Public Defender
<b>CCPJ</b>	Community Court Presiding Judge
<b>KCCCR</b>	King County Community Court in Redmond
<b>KCDC</b>	King County District Court
<b>MI</b>	Motivational Interviewing
<b>RPD</b>	Redmond Police Department

## **Community Court and Resource Center in Redmond Washington**

### **Mission Statement, Goals and Principles<sup>1</sup>**



#### **Mission:**

To use public resources more productively in reducing crime through service provision and increased community engagement and connection.

#### **Vision:**

The King County Community Court in Redmond seeks to go beyond punitive actions to identify and address the underlying challenges of Court participants that may contribute to further criminal activity.

#### **Guiding Principles:**

King County Community Courts believe that many who interact with the justice system are influenced by social environments that facilitate criminal behavior. Giving defendants access to services and assisting them in connecting with providers is a more effective means of reducing crime than traditional approaches to criminal justice. By addressing these life situations and treating participants in ways that promote accountability and belonging, we aim to better reduce recidivism and ultimately save social and financial capital within our communities.

## INTRODUCTION & BACKGROUND

Although Washington is by no means a national leader in mass incarceration, the state's rate of detainment – 482 people per 100,000 residents<sup>2</sup> – remains higher than most other countries in the world. This is not an isolated phenomenon, but instead parallels social and political changes throughout the country. Although the US has experienced an overall state of economic growth in the last thirty years, national poverty rates remain high.<sup>3</sup> Tellingly, incarceration rates have correspondingly risen by more than 300%, illuminating a clear relationship between poverty and criminal behavior.<sup>4</sup> Irrespective of the type of crime committed, the U.S. justice system continuously relies on incarceration as the “single blunt instrument in their toolbox” – irrespective of any indication of its rehabilitative efficacy.<sup>5</sup>

In Washington State, 65.9% of men and 53.6% of women detained have a criminal history containing a prior felony. Recidivism rates for those who have previously interacted with the criminal justice system have formed what is commonly known of as a revolving door, trapping people in circumstances similar to those that facilitated criminal behavior in the first place.<sup>6</sup> This experience is not reserved for those behind bars. Due to the restrictions associated with criminal records, the cost of interacting with the justice system, and the economic and emotional toll of losing a primary caretaker - families that have interacted with the criminal justice system are also confined to a cycle of lagging opportunity and resources.<sup>5,7</sup>

Community-led courts have emerged as a way of redirecting low-risk, high-need defendants away from the traditional court system and towards the systems and resources they need to avoid criminal behavior. By addressing the underlying determinants of crime, studies have found that adult misdemeanor offenders processed at Community Courts (CCs) were significantly less likely to recidivate than those processed traditionally.<sup>8,9</sup>

This report documents King County District Court's (KCDC) process, efforts, and recommendations around the development of the Redmond Community Court (CC), with the goal of facilitating the continued development of CCs throughout King County and contracted cities. The first section of this report focuses on the context of the program, illuminating the state of criminal justice in King County and providing a working definition and explanation for CCs. The next section, titled “Gathering Information” focuses on the logistical development of the courts and the decision-making around location. Finally, “Next Steps” will offer feasible future steps for the expansion of the community court system throughout the county and beyond.

### Context

**King County:** King County is the largest county in Washington State with a population of over two million people. It encompasses 39 cities and in many ways constitutes a great place to live.<sup>10</sup> Compared to the rest of the country, King County residents have increased rates of highly educated and healthy adults, a more diverse and global community, reduced unemployment rates, higher life expectancy, and high household incomes.<sup>11</sup> However, with the unprecedented growth facilitating

these statistics, many have been left behind. Communities within King County struggle with “on time graduation rates, unemployment, poverty, poor access to health-care, and lower life expectancy.”<sup>11</sup> It is well documented that these interlocking systems of oppression correlate with increased interaction with the criminal justice system.<sup>4,12</sup>

**King County Court System:** As of March 2019, 19,361 people are being confined in Washington State,<sup>13</sup> many of which reside in King County. The County has both a Superior Court and a District Court which contracts with 12 of King County’s 39 cities to provide legal services at the municipal level. The other 27 cities have their own separate municipal courts, meaning that citizens of our county can have multiple cases, criminal and/or civil, filed and processed in multiple courts, with different prosecutors and public defenders in each jurisdiction.

To address this complicated judicial landscape and its correspondingly extensive criminal justice concerns, King County has begun to focus on systems strengthening and simplification. In 2014 the Familiar Faces initiative was launched to target repeat-offenders with mental health and/or substance use conditions in providing wrap-around care and access to substance use treatment, housing, transportation, and other social services.<sup>14</sup>

In 2017, King County was awarded a grant to plan two CCs within the King County District Court system. To undertake this effort, the team spent significant time gathering information from a broad range of stakeholders about how community-led justice could be operationalized in King County’s district court system before launching the pilot court in Redmond, Washington. Information was gathered through:

- Stakeholder meetings with city/state/criminal justice officials
- Crime and demographic data collection
- Site visits to Spokane Community Court by members of the project team

KCDC proposed to establish CC programs at two different locations, based on the behavioral court model, to provide services and supervision for high-need/low-risk individuals that have encountered the criminal justice system. KCDC chose the City of Redmond and the City of Burien for the first two courts. The Community Court and Resource Center in Redmond opened in April 2018 and in Burien in February 2019. KCDC has solicited additional funding from the King County Council for implementation of a court in Shoreline to open in fall/early winter 2019 and plan for 2-3 more courts to open by 2020, most likely in Auburn and Bellevue. The focus of this concept paper is on the Redmond Court.

**Community Court Model:** Community Courts differ most from traditional courts in that they address the underlying problems contributing to the likelihood of engaging in further criminal activity.<sup>8</sup> CCs target individuals who have committed misdemeanors that are often related to their life circumstances, such as homelessness, addiction or mental illness and apply a problem solving approach emphasizing community partnership and collaboration.

The basic premise of the community court model is implied within its name, that it not be an outside actor on, but an integral part of the community. By focusing on community collaboration paired with defendant accountability and access to services, CCs seek to move beyond addressing individualized behavioral problems, to a broader focus on the racial-, structural-, and socioeconomic-drivers of crime.<sup>15</sup> This model, in conjunction with service provision, relies on community service as a way to be accountable to the community that has been harmed.

While behavioral health services and other social services are relatively available in the Seattle urban core, such services and diversion opportunities are similarly needed yet less accessible in other parts of the county. By developing CCs in collaboration with outlying cities, KCDC expects to improve court-based diversion outcomes and strengthen housing and social service options throughout the county.

As per CCI recommendations, distinguishing characteristics of the community court model are:

- 1) **Individualized justice** – Through detailed assessment of defendant needs, the court offers a form of individually-tailored justice, appropriate for each person’s specific situation.<sup>16</sup>
- 2) **Expanded sentencing options** – CCs allow judge’s discretion through a diversity of sentencing options, enabling the court to effectively link defendants to individualized services in the community (e.g. SUH treatment, mental health counseling, housing, job skills, education, etc.).<sup>17</sup>
- 3) **Varying mandate length** – Sentencing lengths vary based on the needs of the defendant.
- 4) **Offender accountability** – All sanctions and services are rigorously monitored to encourage individual responsibility and accountability.
- 5) **Community engagement** – Processes are established through which the community can be involved both in decision-making and in the development of indicators of success.

The effectiveness of these principles and practices has been well documented. A survey of CCs from around the country reviewed that interaction with community courts commonly manifests in significant reductions in jail sentences and days from case filing to disposition, and increases in community service compliance.<sup>18</sup> Economically, CCs exhibit significant reductions in criminal justice spending. For example in Manhattan the introduction of community-led justice amounted to an estimated savings of \$1,270,000-\$1,418,000 annually from system cost savings and community service value.<sup>19</sup>

## GATHERING INFORMATION

### Creating Project Team:

In April of 2016 KCDC Chief Presiding Judge, Donna Tucker and Chief Administrative Officer Othniel Palomino attended the Community Justice Summit in Chicago where they began exploring the implementation of CCs around the country, including less than 300 miles East in Spokane, Washington. The following month, Chief Administrative Officer Palomino led the District Court Management Team on a trip to Spokane to learn about their efforts and assess aspects that could be useful in developing similar courts in King County.

Judge Tucker, in partnership with the Behavioral Health and Recovery Division (BHRD) of the Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS) of King County co-wrote an extensive and robust proposal for funding through the Mental Illness and Drug Dependency (MIDD) to support the implementation of a CC in South King County. Though the proposal was not accepted by the MIDD Oversight Committee, County leadership allocated \$100,000 to be used to planning two courts.

Judge Tucker contacted CCI in the Fall of 2016 to inquire about assistance in planning and implementation. CCI agreed to provide no-cost technical assistance to KCDC for the planning of a CC from January – September 2017.

In the summer of 2017 King County created the position of Community Court Planner to assist in the development of the two pilot sites funded through council earlier in the year. Multiple applicants were reviewed and interviewed, but the position became an augmented promotion in August 2017 for the current Therapeutic Court Manager, Callista Welbaum, who had been assisting with the development of the CCs.

### Choosing Location:

KCDC, along with court demographers, conducted a needs assessment utilizing community demographics, crime and court data. With this information, the team was able to define which cities in King County would be logistically feasible for the implementation of the first pilot court. Locations were chosen from the cities in which KCDC currently contracts with to provide legal services at the municipal level: Redmond, Burien, Bellevue, Shoreline, and Auburn.

Starting in Spring 2017, KCDC invited interested stakeholders from different jurisdictions to visit Spokane's CC and learn about what KCDC was envisioning to build. Six separate trips occurred in June and July during which judges, law enforcement, prosecution, defense, and city/county leadership were invited to participate. In the end, representatives from King

County and the cities of Bellevue, Redmond, Burien, Auburn and Shoreline, visited Spokane's CC.

**Redmond:** The work Redmond had already completed around community engagement made it a natural location for the pilot court. The city had completed a comprehensive homelessness task force in 2017 (see below) during which they inadvertently completed much of the CCI recommended groundwork (i.e. community engagement, stakeholder assessment, resource center development). The task force illuminated challenges that the city faced due to deepening poverty, increased homelessness, and a lack of adequate care for those with addiction and mental health issues. Therefore, community court was a natural extension of the approach already being taken to identify and address the root causes of crime.

Redmond staff were actively working in partnership with the Redmond Library to make critical services more available to the populations most in need. Known as the Next Steps Resource Center, this space operated two days a week connecting people with appropriate organizations and service providers throughout the city.

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#### ***Task Force on Homelessness***

March of 2015, the City of Redmond hosted an open meeting in response to increased public concern about the issue of homelessness. Over one hundred people participated, sharing their questions and concerns about the increasing visibility of the issue. From this meeting, the Task Force developed as a means of addressing the needs to both the community and those experiencing homelessness. The task force met from April 2015 through August 2015, producing a final report with significant recommendations centered around how the city could best support individuals in accessing the resources needed to get on the path to housing.

To view the final report, go to: [www.redmond.gov/homelessness](http://www.redmond.gov/homelessness)

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Although conversations concerning Redmond's interest in hosting the pilot court began early, the fiscal decision to launch KCCCR corresponded with receiving implementation funds from MIDD in November 2017.

#### Engaging Community

Community justice is predicated on the belief that in order to solve local problems, local voices and perspectives are necessary. This means that visible community engagement is crucial to identifying issues and crafting sustainable solutions. In Redmond, the bulk of that work had been completed in advance by way of the 2017 Homelessness Task Force.

In Redmond stakeholder identification and engagement was streamlined by the related work that had been completed. Typically, as part of the need's assessment process, the project team would conduct a series of interviews with stakeholders. For example in Burien, the site of the second CC, interviews were conducted to solicit feedback on public safety concerns, jurisdictional/community context, and the concept of community-led justice.<sup>20</sup>

Through the Task Force, Redmond had already built relationships with critical partners such as businesses, and community-members, both housed and unhoused. This enabled court staff to launch the pilot court six months post preliminary discussions began; however, such a timeline is a situational anomaly. Traditionally, a formal needs assessment process is warranted to engage key stakeholders in conversations around specific problems, opportunities for change, and innovative strategies to improve safety. These may include stakeholder interviews, focus groups, community forums, community surveys, and typically end with the delivery of a final needs assessment report.<sup>20</sup>

Before launching the pilot court in April 2018, court staff hosted an open house which served as an open forum opportunity, officially introducing the court to the community of Redmond. People were invited to ask questions, submit feedback, and offer criticism.

### KCCCR GOALS

Enhance the quality of life in Redmond through expeditious and targeted processing of select misdemeanor offenses in order to reduce overreliance on jail and probation services and shorten the length of time that members of the target population are court-involved.

Improve participants' lives and accountability by linking participants with needed social services (i.e. substance abuse counseling, mental health services, job skills training) and requiring completion community services of restorative justice programs

Forge and strengthen collaboration across interagency departments and community non-profit organizations to solve Redmond area crime and homelessness problems

### Developing Steering Teams

Beginning in December and continuing monthly, the CC Team began steering committee meetings including key stakeholders such as; Redmond library leadership, city leadership, court leadership, communications staff, municipal/state prosecution, municipal/state defense, law enforcement, and social service leadership. The team actively sought representatives of local businesses, but in the end none participated. All meetings were facilitated by the Court Manager, Callista Welbaum.

## **MEASURING SUCCESS**

# REDMOND COMMUNITY COURT

**SINCE ITS LAUNCH,**

**110 PARTICIPANTS**

defendants have diverted from the traditional criminal docket into alternative sentencing options



**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

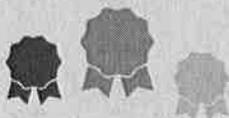
**1100**



hours of volunteering and other forms of community service have been completed in Redmond

**56 GRADUATIONS**

participants have completed the program and had associated criminal charges dismissed



**CENTER VISITS**

**2900**



total visits, an average of 53 per week, have been paid to 15-20 providers at the Resource Center

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In community court, impact and success are defined as increases in public safety through reduced criminal involvement and connection to community. In Redmond indicators include improved health and wellness of participants, participation in CC, community connectivity/engagement, and jail diversion.

KCCCR collects detailed records of participant demographics and histories related to their cases as well as any information deemed instructional for system improvement. A list of data solicited can be summarized as follows:

Improved health and wellness of participants: Tracking of indicators related to housing, financial stability, employment, health (behavioral and physical) and connections to services.  
Participation in Community Court: Tracking the percentage of people referred to community court and the percentage of people who complete the program.

Community Connection/Engagement: Tracking of services provided to participants, hours of community service completed, and the number of agencies/partnerships/volunteers involved.

Jail Diversion: Tracking bookings and days of incarceration as well as time between booking and program completion.

## **PROGRAM ELEMENTS**

### Location & Hours of Operation

KCCCR operates every Wednesday from 1:30-3:30pm with pre-court meetings taking place directly before. The Court is located within the Redmond Regional Library at 15990 NE 85th St, Redmond, WA 98052.

### Staffing and Roles

Community Court involves a team of court, prosecution, police, public defense and social service professionals dedicated to collaborating on cases to reach practical and targeted solutions. At KCCCR, the Redmond Regional Library and associated volunteers are considered critical components of that team.

Team members are charged with the education of peer professionals around the program and with developing community linkages that enhance the effectiveness of the program. In creating this partnership, King County is committed to enhancing communication between the courts, law enforcement and social service agencies. Through this linkage of services, King County expects wider participation and greater effectiveness in addressing the problems of individuals involved in the criminal justice system, as well as those in the wider community.

**Judge:** KCDC is responsible for the provision of a judge to preside over KCCCR. The Community Court Presiding Judge (CCPJ) is responsible for adhering to CC Rules, Policies and Procedures as well as all revisions to the rules. This position presides over court proceedings and monitors appropriate applications of mandates, sanctions, and incentives, while maintaining the integrity of the court.

In keeping with the tenets of all therapeutic courts, the CCPJ is prepared and trained in motivational interviewing, trauma informed care, and procedural/restorative justice principles and applications. The CCPJ wears many hats – several of which are outside of the traditional precepts of being a “judge.” This involves the incorporation of procedural justice concepts, such as treating participants with dignity and respect; allowing participants to tell their side of the story; demonstrating neutrality; thoroughly explaining courtroom procedures and decision-making; and showing genuine interest in participants’ success and overall well-being. The CCPJ interacts with participants in an explicitly personal manner, influenced by their knowledge of the unique challenges faced by the participants. The CCPJ

is prepared to note the progress and regress of the participant, offering a 4:1 praise to sanction ratio to support efforts made to achieve goals. If a participant is struggling, the utilization of Motivational Interviewing (MI) techniques is invoked by the court to assist them in refocusing their direction.

**Court Clerk:** The designated Court Clerk is responsible for the advanced dissemination of the weekly calendar to all court staff, volunteers, police, and resource providers, allowing them to prepare for staffing that occurs prior to court each week. The provisional docket text is emailed to providers no later than 24 hours prior to the commencement of CC (e.g. docket to be sent out no later than Friday morning if court is held on Monday) to allow providers ample time for preparation. The clerk is also responsible for arriving early on CC days to set up the courtroom (computers, flags, microphones, calendar, etc.) and to put away/secure the equipment at the end of court. The clerk also maintains an ongoing list of total community service hours performed by participants, as they are the ones who file proof of completion. The clerk will report total hours each month to the Court Coordinator. The clerk will assist participants and other KCCCR team members as needed.

**Court Coordinator:** The Court Coordinator is responsible for compiling statistical data, managing volunteer programs, managing the resource center, and soliciting community support through education and linkages to enhance services available to all participants. The Coordinator is generally responsible for the functioning and maintenance of the resource center and its service providers. Additionally, the Coordinator recruits service providers and community volunteers to aid in the functioning of court sessions and the resource center. As well, they engage in activities that increase the commitment and affinity of service providers and volunteers to the program. This includes being communicative and available, holding appreciation events intermittently, and respecting partnership.

The Court Coordinator and Manager are jointly responsible for increasing community awareness of CC through various forms of outreach (presentations, newsletters, attendance at community meetings, press releases, etc.). They serve as agency liaisons with the City of Redmond, King County Public Library System, King County District Court, service providers, and CCI.

**Court Manager:** The Court Manager is responsible for the researching of, applying to, and managing of grants relevant to CC. The organization, coordination, and oversight of the Community Steering Teams is also the responsibility of the Coordinator. They contribute to designing and implementing new initiatives, updated the Policy and Procedure Manual, and develop Memoranda of Understanding among various partners. The Coordinator also helps manage the multiagency representatives involved in the CC core team with the goal of

reducing conflicts, as well as managing the community advisory board and providing support for policy formulation.

**Prosecuting Attorney(s):** The City and State Prosecutors office assign one or more specific Prosecutor(s) to CC. That role is referred to as the Community Court Prosecutor (CCP). The CCP is responsible for reviewing cases charged to community court to determine eligibility for participation and participating in staffing of cases. They also interact with the Court and Defense in a collaborative manner to address disposition, revocation, and application of sanctions and incentives as applies to the participant.

The CCP utilizes the information about the participant's risks and needs, collected by an assessment, to address the root causes of criminal behavior. This information is communicated through the Stipulated Order of Continuance (SOC), see side bar. The CCP works with Public Defenders in deciding the obligations of the proposed SOC for each participant. Together they use the knowledge gained by the assessment, as well as their pre-existing knowledge of the participant, to make an order with appropriate service referrals and community service hours. The CCP attends all pre-court meetings, during which individual cases are discussed with court staff and service providers. The CCP provides their input as to how to appropriately praise and sanction a participant based on what the group knows about the person and their compliance with court orders.

By addressing these core concerns, King County aims to connect the participant to services and limit future interactions with the criminal justice system. The overarching theme of the CCP is accountability in the form of jail alternatives and connections to service providers that are co-located at the Redmond Regional Library.

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#### **STIPULATED ORDER OF CONTINUANCE**

**See Appendix A for example**

*The Stipulated Order of Continuance (SOC) is a form of individualized sentencing based on the context of the crime and the options available within the community. In Redmond, sentencing and diversion programs range from community-service to continued education. Most defendants receive short-term social service or community service sanctions of 8-12 weeks, with appropriate time frames of treatment for those whose crimes involves substance use.*

*An important aspect of CC is the use of community service as an essential component of diversion. CCs hold firmly to the notion that participant who are adversely affecting the quality of life of a community should give back to the community by providing community service. The court has collaborated with several local non-profit agencies to find enriching and productive community service opportunities for participants. Because the emphasis in CC is upon empowerment and problem solving, partial credit for community service hours may be granted for attending meetings and classes that the judge deems likely to encourage positive growth of participants.*

*If a participant has multiple cases before the CC, the Court Team may utilize discretion and enter a SOC for more than one case.*

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The CCP attempts to release participants, pre- and post-adjudication, on their own recognizance. The CCP actively conducts outreach with the community and with the Redmond Police Department (RPD) to discuss the program. Additionally, the CCP works with RPD and the greater community to identify problems occurring in the Redmond area that can be addressed within the community court.

**Public Defenders:** Because community court deals with criminal matters, the accused's Constitutional rights, including the right to trial, must be recognized and protected. No person will appear before the court without the assistance of counsel. The Public Defender fulfills this role of constitutional guardian by acting as a buffer between the accused and both the Court and the Prosecutor. One or more Public Defender(s) are permanently assigned to the court and are known as the Community Court Public Defender (CCPD). The CCPD diligently reviews police reports and charging documents to ensure compliance with all extant laws and the constitution

Depending on the nature of the case and associated beneficial opportunities that community-led justice provides, CCPDs advise their clients on whether to pursue community-led justice or to keep their case in traditional court. When deciding to give such advice, the goal is to identify a resolution that addresses the participant's challenges including any substance use concerns, mental health issues and unemployment. However, the defense attorney's constitutional and ethical duty is to represent their client. Thus, it might be the case that, despite the client's challenges, the attorney will advise their client to exercise their constitutional right to trial. If the client makes such an election, the case will be transferred to a traditional criminal docket.

The CCPD also speaks with family and friends who appear in support of a participant. They obtain or verify information that may assist in the disposition of the participant's case. They play an important role in ensuring that just and proper resolutions of cases are efficiently achieved. The assigned public defender will, however, interact with other team members in a collaborative manner to address the needs of their client. This includes collaborating with the CCP in creating new participants' SOC's after assessment has been completed, attending all pre-court staffing meetings, and providing their input as to how to appropriately praise or sanction a participant based on what the group knows about the person and their compliance with court orders. CCPD also propose graduation dates when a participant has completed their service provider connections and community service obligations described in their SOC.

**Private/Conflict Attorneys:** Instead of being assigned a Public Defense Attorney, some participants with private means will opt to hire their own attorneys. Private Attorneys

advocate for participants but operate externally to the CC structure. In addition to private attorneys, the court is also served by conflict attorneys. Conflict attorneys are needed when CCPDs are unable to provide legal representation due to personal or professional conflicts. Conflict attorneys, like private attorneys, advocate for clients and operate externally to the CC structure.

**Redmond Regional Library:** The Redmond branch of the King County Library System hosts KCCCR. The library provides space for the Resource Center, Court Room, and three private meeting spaces for assessments and other court needs. These spaces are specifically reserved for KCCCR from noon to 5pm each Wednesday.

The library and its volunteers facilitate the set up and tear down of the rooms used for court and the resource center each week. Additionally, the library has been mostly responsible for organizing the space and making signage, such as for participant navigation of the Resource Center.

**Redmond Police Department:** The Redmond Police Department (RPD) serves as the primary law enforcement agency for the city of Redmond, responding to calls for service, investigating, and arresting individuals suspected of committing criminal offenses in the city. RPD officers on the High Visibility Team, who primarily patrol on bicycles or on foot, are the main officers operating in the community court. These officers are familiar with people who might be appropriate for the program due to their needs and offenses. RPD officers are responsible for the dissemination of information to other offices and potential or current CC participants about the program. When appropriate, they also share information about current participants with the court or service providers as part of case management efforts.

RPD also provides security at our Library Courtroom. They set up a security area each week with a designated line up area for security check and places for people's belongings. These officers check those entering the courtroom for items that are prohibited using a metal detecting wand.

One of the underlying goals of CC is to change the tone and perception of the criminal justice system. Often judges and police officers are perceived as uncaring agents by those who have regular contact with law enforcement. At KCCCR, these officers not only screen individuals, but use this time to compassionately connect with participants and show genuine regard for them as valuable parts of the community.

**Volunteers:** KCCCR currently has volunteers in the following roles:

1. Watching the belongings of participants while they are in the courtroom and distributing free lunches (donated by Redmond public school) to participants.

2. Greeting participants and the public at the Resource Center door while counting the number of visitors and keeping track of what providers are in attendance.
3. Serving as navigators for participants in the resource room, escorting them to the providers they have been ordered to check in with and advising them on community service options.

The third role is of increased importance as it significantly improves the participant's experience at KCCCR. Newly referred participants are oftentimes overwhelmed by the process and can have difficulty adjusting to a community court model. To ease participants' anxiety and uncertainty, volunteers dedicate their time to assisting participants in connecting with providers and advise them upon community service options.

**Resource Center:** A Community Resource Center operates at the same time and place as the community court calendar. The Center consists of community partners who provide a wide array of services, including: mental health and substance use disorder assessments, housing referral, public health services, free/reduced cost medical service referrals, local food banks, shelter and emergency services information, worker retraining services, temporary work referrals, continued education opportunities, referral services, library services, city of Redmond Outreach Services, YWCA services, as well as dispute resolution and civil legal assistance. The Community Resource Center is available to all members of the public in addition to community court participants.

In the case that court participants are ordered as part of their SOC to connect with specific providers, the court asks for communication from said providers that this has been completed and for any clinical/specialized recommendations. This informs the judge as to whether the participant is in compliance with orders from week to week and what to expect in subsequent weeks.

**Court Participants:** Eligibility for participation in community court is limited to individuals who are charged with misdemeanor crimes within the city of Redmond and nearby unincorporated areas of King County, and have no prior criminal sex related crimes, nor any violent felony charges in the last 5 years. KCCCR does not hear driving violation cases.

Eligibility standards are verified by a review of police reports and criminal history by the prosecuting attorney, further verified by PRINS 1 initial client assessment. Enrollment in CC requires the consent of the accused, defense counsel, prosecutor and judge.

Redmond City prosecution and defense consider the appropriateness of all eligible cases for community court. If eligible misdemeanor charges are filed when the defendant is in the arraignment or pre-trial phase, the prosecution and defense discuss the possibility of a CC referral. This discussion can happen off- or on-record. Since the CC Judge presides over CC as well as the majority of Redmond City misdemeanor cases, the discussion of a defendant's appropriateness or the possible benefits to him/her of community vs. mainstream court happens at hearings in some cases. For cases originating in the State Court System, support is

provided to the associated judge so that they can make

**Table 2**

<b>ELIGIBLE OFFENSES</b>	
Redmond Municipal Code Section 9.42.010	Disorderly conduct
Redmond Municipal Code Section 9.31.430	Possession of alcohol in a park
Redmond Municipal Code Section 9.31.440	Possession of intoxicating drugs in a park
Redmond Municipal Code Section 9.10.020	Contributing to the delinquency of a minor
Redmond Municipal Code Section 9.14.020	Possession of paraphernalia
Redmond Municipal Code Section 9.38.020	Unlawful public exposure
Redmond Municipal Code Section 9.31.280	Presence in parks during hours the park is closed.
RCW 9.66.050	Deposit of unwholesome substance
RCW 9A.52.070	Criminal trespass in the first degree
RCW 9A.52.080	Criminal trespass in the second degree
RCW 66.44.100	Opening or consuming liquor in public spaces
RCW 66.44.270	Furnishing liquor to minors, minors in possession or consumption of liquor, or public intoxication by minors
RCW 9A.76.020	Obstructing a law enforcement officer
RCW 9A.76.040	Resisting arrest
RCW 9A.48.090	Malicious mischief in the third degree
RCW 9A.36.041	Assault in the fourth degree
RCW 9A.56.050	Theft in third degree

**A Note on Disability:**

As an inclusive system, the presumption is never to deny individuals with disabilities an opportunity to give back. Instead, court staff make every effort to find ways for them to contribute without jeopardizing their health and well-being. People with disabilities are provided with an SOC including alternative community service options that may include; enrollment in education or job training programs, participation in skill-building courses, and/or connection with local service providers that offer needed resources.

appropriate referrals. For eligible cases, the state creates their own stipulated order of continuance. If it is deemed that a defendant may benefit from CC, and prosecution approves, they are set on the calendar for the next session to observe.

# CASE FLOW

A Summary of case flow at the King County Community Court in Redmond



## 01: REFERRAL

Potential participants are referred by prosecution or defense for an observation.

If an accused person forfeits their opportunity to participate in Community Court, their case will be transferred to a traditional criminal docket.

## 02: COURT VISIT



Interested participants are invited to observe court functioning in order to visualize whether participation would suit them. If they would like to participate they are scheduled the next week for the needs assessment and signing their contract with the court (SOC).

## 03: ASSESSMENT

If they choose to continue, participants are given an assessment to identify what underlying issues might be contributing to their criminal involvement and what strengths they can build upon.



## 04: CONTRACT

If a participant fails to fulfil the stipulations of their contract, participation within the Community Court is nullified and their case is decided on by way of the original justice report.

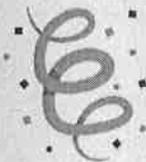
After fully assessing an individual's profile including strengths and needs, the Court explores diversion through a Stipulated Order of Continuance or plea alternative.

## 05: CASE MANAGEMENT

Participants conduct weekly check-in for 4-24 weeks and must demonstrate contact with service providers and involvement with community service.



## 06: GRADUATION



Once participants have completed their SOC, they are eligible for graduation and dismissal of all charges.

KCCCR serves as a calendar court, adjudicating eligible misdemeanor cases. The program is voluntary but involves the accused person abdicating their right to trial in order to participate. Prior to enrollment, if the defendant decides to forfeit their opportunity to participate in CC, their case is transferred back to mainstream court. However once someone has signed their Stipulated Order of Continuance, indicating that they have forfeited their right to trial in interest of working within the community court system, their case will be judged solely based on the associated police record.

**Pre-Court Meeting:** Beginning at 12:45 and lasting for about 45 minutes, court staff gathers to discuss the days calendar. Court staff take the opportunity to contextualize participants and speak in support of their experience. This provides the judge with information necessary for passing sound judgement, such as charges of Failure to Appear (FTA) and results of Urine Analysis Reports (UA).

The judge finds out if participants are in compliance with their orders to visit providers or engage in recommended treatment. In cases where the participant is not in compliance, there is a discussion about what sanctions or motivations might be used to get the them back on track. Providers can also report on compliance via email or phone to the court coordinator, and they will report that information to the staff at the pre-court meeting.

An important aspect of the pre-court meeting is that it creates a space to talk through background information and activities that would be harmful if on record. By keeping mental health and substance use information within the context of this meeting, the court team maintains discretion in sentencing and response while respecting participant's privacy.

**Case Flow:** Upon arriving to Redmond Library, participants are immediately greeted by KCCCR volunteers who check their bags. These volunteers keep participant belongings safe during court proceedings, and hand out free lunches afterwards for interested individuals. After passing through a police screening, they enter the library courtroom and are seated in a gallery facing court staff. At 1:30pm the Judge begins calling names to survey those who are in the room. Cases are stacked in such a way as to give early preference to those who have demonstrated compliance with their individualized SOC. When their name is called, participants move to the front of the room and sit next to the CCPD. The Judge will ask for an update from both the participant and the attorney on progress being made towards the SOC.

It is important to note that not all persons in the crowd are participants. Many are family members, purposely invited into the space to support their loved ones. Other's may be prospective participants on a court visit, observing whether community-led justice is a good fit for their needs. If the answer is yes, defendants have the opportunity to speak with their

attorney and confirm their desire to participate. The next week they are invited back for a need's assessment, also known as an intake assessment. This is completed by intake staff at King County jails. The needs assessment results are then sent to the prosecution and defense team and are utilized in the creation of the SOC.

After the SOC is signed, participants are officially admitted into court and given a folder including a provider list check off (see Appendix A), community service opportunities (Appendix B), log sheets for meetings and community service (Appendix C and D), as well as information on how continued education can service as community service hours (Appendix E). When approved by the court, alternative community service options weigh as equal to and not less than regular community service and recognition.

**Compliance:** Court staff monitor compliance with alternative sentences closely. If a defendant fails to report for service, the court determines whether there is reasonable cause for their absence and if they are complying with the stipulations of their case. After repeated engagement attempts, KCCCR will send a bench warrant effectively pausing the case. If the participant continues not to meet their individual Stipulation of Continuity, their case will be removed from the calendar and judgement on guiltiness will be passed based solely on the police report.

**Graduation:** Our graduation, on the first Wednesday of each month, is an enthusiastic affair. The local grocery store (QFC) donates two dozen cupcakes and loved ones are invited to celebrate. It is conducted in front of as many other participants as possible as an opportunity to center success and create community.



When a participant is to graduate, the judge will discuss the benefits of the program, as well as any criticism the participant may express. The participant receives verbal affirmation

from the prosecutor, defense, and judge as well as a certificate of completion signed by the Court Team.

## **NEXT STEPS**

The major goal of King County District Court is to expand the implementation of community courts to all corners of the county. In February 2019 the second court was launched in Burien. A third is being planned for Shoreline to launch in fall/early winter of 2019. King County would like to see 2-3 additional courts launched in 2020 and are considering Auburn and Bellevue as likely locations.

Considering this, it will be important to expand on the implementation guidelines above in ways that were not necessary for the development of KCCCR. Specifically, this relates to the development of selection criteria and means of preparation for interested cities. Although these steps were completed preemptively through the Homelessness Task Force in Redmond, going forward King County will need to invest in conducting these steps ourselves.

In addition, King County hopes to serve as consultants for cities outside of the county as they develop their own community court systems. As the courts expand, quality will be centered through regular workshops for CC team members on trauma informed service and motivational interviewing. Furthermore, King County plans to have volunteers create and facilitate brief orientation sessions for newly admitted participants to KCCCR.

In addition to expanded access to community courts, King County aims to expand the population that can be served. In Burien state cases are not served by our court, limiting our ability to provide equitable access to justice. With additional funding, King County Community Courts aim to expand to different jurisdictions in 2020. Similarly, we aim to expand inclusion criteria to low level assault and civil matters.

Community-led justice is inherently interdisciplinary as it addresses the multiplicity of ways in which our built and social environment influence criminal behavior. King County is taking steps to ensure that our courts reflect this complexity by actively pursuing collaboration with related sectors such as the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion program in Burien.

At the root of the problems surrounding our criminal justice system is the disparate impact on, and lack of representation of, black and brown people. We see this narrative continued within our court model as the majority of our staff continues to be white, while our participants disproportionately represent minority populations. Community-led justice aims to create an environment of accountability to the community, by the community. This

leads us to center our future endeavors around developing leadership in court staff that better represent the defendants they are working for.

Courts around the country are building on traditional Native American approaches to justice. In New York City, the Center for Court Innovation has launched two such “peacemaking” programs with the goal of creating enduring and meaningful responses to neighborhood conflict.<sup>21</sup> Trained peacemakers from the community form harm circles and create space for those affected by dispute to have conversation about restitution and repair. King County is open to beginning dialogue concerning how programs such as this can be integrated into future and existing courts.

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## Appendix A

<b>King County Community Court in Redmond</b>	No:  <b>COMMUNITY COURT MOTION AND ORDER FOR STIPULATED ORDER OF CONTINUANCE</b>
CITY OF REDMOND, Plaintiff,  vs  Participant.	

**I. BASIS**

COMES NOW the parties and hereby move the Court to continue the above captioned cause for a period of \_\_\_\_\_  weeks or  months, then and there to be dismissed if the Defendant has complied with the conditions set forth in this document. Defendant is charged with the following offense(s) with accompanying penalties:

\_\_\_\_\_

The crime(s) with which I am charged carries a maximum sentence of \_\_\_\_\_ days in jail and a \$ \_\_\_\_\_ fine.

**II. FINDINGS**

After reviewing the case record, the Defendant's prior criminal history, and the basis for the motion, the court finds that the parties have agreed, and the Defendant, by his/her signature, consents to the continuance contained in the motion section of this order, and waives any speedy trial claims the Defendant would otherwise have been entitled to assert due to such delay, and that such disposition is appropriate.

The Defendant understands that he/she has the right to a trial by jury unless he/she waives the right to a jury trial. The Defendant hereby waives his/her right to jury trial and requests that his/her case be decided by a judge.

The Defendant understands that at staff meetings the judge, court personnel, prosecutors, defense attorneys, and treatment/social service providers will privately discuss her/his case(s) off the record and without the Defendant being present. The Defendant agrees that such discussions may take place outside of her/his presence.

The Defendant wishes to submit the case on the record in the event this agreement is revoked. The Defendant agrees and understands this means that if a judge finds the Defendant is in breach of this agreement and revokes it, the judge will read the police reports submitted by the prosecutor and will review any other materials referenced therein or attached, and based solely upon that evidence, the judge will make a finding of guilty or not guilty to the crime(s) charged herein.

PARTICIPANT'S INITIALS: \_\_\_\_\_

III. ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above-captioned cause be, and hereby is, continued for the time period specified above, to be dismissed on or before the expiration of said period provided the condition(s) as indicated below are met. If the following condition(s) are not met, the case shall be set for hearing to determine whether the order of continuance shall be revoked.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that upon entry into the Stipulated Order of Continuance, the Defendant shall be known as the "Participant" for the purpose of the above-captioned cases during such time as he or she remains in the Community Court program.

A. NON-TREATMENT RELATED CONDITIONS:

As part of your successful completion of the Community Court Program, it is mandatory that, with the exception of federal holidays, you attend Community Court every Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. unless excused from attendance by prior order of the court. FAILURE TO ATTEND MAY RESULT IN THE ISSUANCE OF A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST AND DETENTION.

Participant stipulates to the accuracy and admissibility of the police report(s).

Participant shall commit no criminal law violations.

If Participant resides in any supportive housing he/she shall abide by all house rules and directions of staff.

Participant shall appear at all scheduled court dates, unless appearance is specifically waived by the court, Participant is incarcerated, or Participant is in hospital or treatment facility.

Participant shall pay restitution in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (As specified by attached Restitution Order).

Participant shall be released to inpatient treatment on: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

B. TREATMENT/COMMUNITY SERVICE RELATED CONDITIONS:

*ALL CONDITIONS MARKED BELOW SHALL BE ENTERED INTO WITHIN 7 DAYS OF SIGNING THIS ORDER. ALL TREATMENT SHALL BE COMPLETED AS DIRECTED BY THE KING COUNTY DISTRICT COMMUNITY COURT CORE TEAM AND THE TREATMENT AGENCIES MARKED BELOW.*

Participant shall complete any required follow-up treatment.

PARTICIPANT'S INITIALS: \_\_\_\_\_

- Participant shall complete \_\_\_\_\_ hours of Community Service, in Redmond, with proof of hours completed provided to the Court. If community service is not completed as ordered by the Court, the Participant may be subject to sanctions by the court which could result in revocation of this agreement.
- Participant shall complete \_\_\_\_\_ days of Work Crew through the King County Community Work Program.
- Participant shall complete \_\_\_\_\_ hours of Life Skills through an approved provider.
- No possession or consumption of alcohol, marijuana/related THC products, or non-prescribed drugs. As a part of this condition you may be required to submit to a urinalysis or breath analysis if ordered by a treatment provider or the court.
- Geographical Restriction: Stay off premises of: \_\_\_\_\_.
- Participant shall immediately contact and continue to follow-up with the Social Service/ Treatment Providers marked below:

- ( ) Bellevue Clubhouse
- ( ) Cascadia Community College
- ( ) Community Health Plan
- ( ) Coordinated Entry (housing)
- ( ) Dispute Resolution Center
- ( ) DSHS (Department of Social & Health Services)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Funding \_\_\_\_\_ Employment
- ( ) Eastside Legal Assistance Program
- ( ) Friends of Youth (under 25)
- ( ) Health Point
- ( ) Hopelink (employment, financial, housing, transportation, education)
- ( ) KRON
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Alcohol/Drug assessment & treatment
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Mental Health evaluation & treatment
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Case Management
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Sign ROI for \_\_\_\_\_
- ( ) Job Corps (under 25)
- ( ) Kindering

PARTICIPANT'S INITIALS: \_\_\_\_\_

- ( ) Lake Washington H.S. McKinney-Vinto
- ( ) Lake Washington Tech
- ( ) NAMI Eastside (*National Alliance on Mental Illness*)
- ( ) Public Health (OrcaLift, Healthcare, EBT intake)
- ( ) Redmond Homeless Outreach Services
- ( ) Re-Opp: Reconnect to Opportunity
- ( ) Redmond Public Library ED Resources
- ( ) SmartTalent (temporary work)
- ( ) Sound Generations (seniors)
- ( ) St. Vincent de Paul
- ( ) Terra Staffing Group (temporary work)
- ( ) United Healthcare (for those with Medicare/Medicaid)
- ( ) WorkSource
- ( ) YWCA (shelter, employment, education)
- ( ) \_\_\_\_\_
- ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Failure to complete the marked condition(s) could result in the court finding a violation. If a violation is found I agree and understand that I could be subject to sanctions up to and including revocation of this agreement. The sanctions may include jail, electronic home monitoring, additional community service, fine, work crew, or other appropriate sanctions.

**C. INCENTIVES FOR TIMELY PROGRESS SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION:**

Community Court also offers other incentives for your timely progress and successful completion in the Community Court program, including:

- Reduced attendance requirements;
- Acknowledgment of your success to staff, providers, and other participants;
- Bus passes;
- Early dismissal of charges; and
- Others as appropriate.

**D. SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION:**

Dismissal with prejudice of the criminal charges shall take place so long as the Participant completes all specified conditions contained in this agreement. A graduation shall be presented as evidence of commitment and success.

PARTICIPANT'S INITIALS: \_\_\_\_\_

**WAIVER OF OBJECTION TO TRIAL SETTING - CrRLJ 3.3(d)(3)**

I am aware that I have the right to trial within 60 days of the commencement date if I am in jail on this case, or within 90 days of the commencement date if I am not in jail on this case. I wish to give up this right and I agree the new commencement date is \_\_\_\_\_, I understand the new expiration date is \_\_\_\_\_.

I hereby authorize my counsel to waive my appearance and continue the case(s) when I am in treatment, incarcerated in another jurisdiction or excused from attendance by the court.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
JUDGE/COMMISSIONER

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY OF REDMOND PROSECUTOR

\_\_\_\_\_  
WSBA No.

\_\_\_\_\_  
PARTICIPANT

\_\_\_\_\_  
ATTORNEY FOR PARTICIPANT

\_\_\_\_\_  
WSBA No.

PARTICIPANT'S INITIAL: \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Appendix B Provider Check List

### Provider Visit Check Off

Community Court Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

This is your record of checking in with providers in the resource center. In the first box, check who you need to see as listed on your court contract, and then have the provider or a navigator initial for you when you speak to them. If you visit providers who are not required on your SOC, go ahead and have them initial as well.

Please return this form to the box marked "Check Off Forms" at the resource center door each week.

SOC Req	Provider	Check In Done	Specific Service (if noted)
	Bellevue College		
	CareNet of Puget Sound		
	Cascadia Community College		
	City of Redmond Outreach (Kent)		
	Community Health Plan		
	Alliance for People w/Disabilities		
	DSHS		ID Voucher    Financial    Employment
	Eastside Legal Assistance		
	Friends of Youth		Treatment    Shelter    Education Employment    Case Management
	Health Point		
	Hopelink		Employment    Financial    Housing Transportation    Education    Food
	IKRON		SUD    Mental Health    Case Mgmt    ROI
	Kindering		
	King County Dispute Resolution Center		
	King County Library System		Library Card    Online Ed info
	Lake Washington Tech		
	NAMI		Support Groups    Community Service
	Public Health		Orca Lift Bus    Medicaid/Health Ins    EBT
	Reconnect to Opportunity		
	Sound Generations		
	St Vincent de Paul		
	Terra Staffing/Smart Talent		
	United Health Care		
	WA State Dept of Vet Affairs, Military Family Outreach		
	WorkSource		
	YWCA		Housing    Employment    Food/Clothes Community Service

## Appendix C Community Service Opportunities

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### Community Service Opportunities

#### *Community Court in Redmond*

This handout has lots of suggestions to get you started in finding community service opportunities.

But- Community Court participants are responsible to reach out to the organizations and arrange their community service.

If you would like help arranging, figuring out the times/places, and how to get to your community service, speak to either Cambria, Jane or Adrian in the resource center, or contact Ericka Cooley, Community Court Coordinator, at 206-409-2012 or [ericka.cooley@kingcounty.gov](mailto:ericka.cooley@kingcounty.gov).

Don't forget to take a log sheet when you go!

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### Online Lists of Volunteer Opportunities:

These websites have tons of listings! You can use the library computers to check them out...

**Seattle Works:** This site has listings for volunteer opportunities, and lets you filter so you only see organizations who will work with court-ordered folks. Here's how to search:

Go to the online volunteer calendar ([www.seattleworks.org/calendar](http://www.seattleworks.org/calendar)). Click the green plus sign next to "Basic Search and Search Options." Click "Additional Filters," check the box next to Court-ordered Volunteers and click submit. The opportunities that show up on the calendar will now be the ones that work with court-ordered volunteers. You can limit by location as well.

**United Way:**

United Way lists a TON of volunteer events, all different and many don't require an application.

Go to this page, and then you can sort by location:

<https://volunteer.uwkc.org/need/>

**Volunteer Match:** <https://www.volunteermatch.org/>

**Create the Good:** <http://www.createthegood.org/>

**All for Good:** <https://www.allforgood.org/>

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### Local Volunteer Opportunities:

**Green Kirkland and Green Redmond: Park Restoration Work**

Green Kirkland and Green Redmond have regular work times at a few parks where you can help restore, plant and keep up the parks.

Here is where to go for more info: <https://forterra.org/events>

(A company called Forterra manages a number of city "green" programs.)



Help save lives of local area patients by becoming a Bloodworks Donor Monitor Volunteer!

Donor Monitor volunteers are the final link in a long life-saving chain. This position involves greeting donors as they finish the donation process, providing them with needed refreshments, monitoring them for adverse reactions, scheduling them for their next appointment, and making them feel welcome. Training is provided.

Volunteers work at our Blood Centers and at community mobile blood drives and should enjoy working with the public, be outgoing, and enjoy working in an ever-changing regulated environment. Volunteers will be able to sit if needed, or can stand during their shift. This position is perfect for those seeking work experience in Healthcare. Previous experience with the Blood Center or having donated blood in the past is not required.

Volunteers are needed daytime and evenings, weekdays and weekends. Background check will be requested.

Contact:

Bellevue Donor Center  
1807 132nd Avenue NE  
Bellevue, WA 98005  
Phone: (425) 453-4011

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Jubilee Reach:

Bellevue based non-profit that works with schools and community orgs to help people with a variety of needs, they also have a thrift store. They seem to be positive about working with our participants and are able to provide a good amount of hours without a lot of lag in application/approval time.

Main Office: 14200 SE 13th Place, Bellevue, WA 98007 (425) 746-0506

Thrift Store: 2301 148th Ave NE Bellevue, WA, 98007

<https://www.jubileereach.org/volunteer>

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Evergreen Health: Office Support for Hospice Main Office in Kirkland

11800 NE 128th Street

Kirkland, WA 98034

425-899-1040

<https://www.evergreenhealth.com/hospice-care>

Do you have a passion for hospice but don't have the time to visit patients? Your help would be greatly appreciated by the office staff in Kirkland! We have an ongoing need for help putting together the hospice handbook that is given to patients and their caregivers.

This position is flexible - you can choose when to come in for a 2-hour shift (Monday through Friday between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM). We are looking for a volunteer who is dependable and cheerful.

The Hospice Book assembly consists of the following...

1. Assemble supplemental Hospice Admit Packet (Containing approx. 25 items in a clip)
2. Monitor printed forms, alert administrative assistant when low
3. Unpack printed Hospice Admit Binder
4. Insert supplemental Hospice Admit Packet into back pocket of binder
5. Insert Emergency Preparedness Packet into front pocket
6. Repack binders into boxes

Requirements & Commitment

- Background Check
- Must be at least 18
- Orientation or Training
- 2 hours per week for one year

We are looking for someone who is organized, detail-oriented and dependable. That's it! You will be appreciated and you will get to know some awesome people!

#### Evergreen Health: Emergency Department Support Redmond

Volunteers needed to provide support to patients and visitors in Emergency Department. Stock supplies, transport patients out via wheelchair, run lab errands, support nursing staff. Must be mature, have good working relationship skills such as communication skills and ability to take instructions and directions. Must have sound judgement. Must be age 18 and older. The ED is a physically demanding and sometimes stressful environment. Volunteers should understand that they will see serious and intense medical situations while volunteering, even though they won't be directly involved in patient care. Volunteers need to commit to a once a week shift of 4 hours.

#### Requirements & Commitment

Background Check

Orientation or Training

One 4 hour shift per week for 6 months

Position training required, evaluation at 90 days: <https://www.evergreenhealth.com/hospital-volunteers> 425-899-1004

21 Acres in Woodinville: 21 acres is a farm that does all kinds of community work promoting farm to table sustainable agriculture practices, holds classes both paid and free, and supports a number of other local organizations by offering free programs.

Here is the link to the volunteer application, which you will need to turn in first: <http://21acres.org/get-involved/become-a-volunteer/>

Among other events, they often have Saturday work parties, which would be perfect for those trying to fit their community services hours around school/work. <http://21acres.org/event/saturday-volunteer-work-party-60-2-2-2-2-2-2-2-2-2-2-2-2-2-2/>

The bus actually stops nearby as well! 13701 NE 171st Street, Woodinville, WA 98072

#### Old Friends Club: Arts & Activity Volunteer for Seniors with Dementia in Kirkland

Join in fun activities and help guide seniors with Alzheimer's or other mild-to-moderate cognitive issues to have a meaningful day in a casual environment. We have openings for friendly volunteers once a week to help our members stay socially engaged and active (while their family caregivers get a break.) We play music and cards, try out art projects, and generally laugh and learn and tell stories at this non-residential daytime memory program for older adults.

Great times for parents with kids in school. We welcome volunteering adults of any age or skill-set. Retired, student or freelancer with flexibility, these few hours will enhance your week and that of so many others. Just bring your smile and willingness to engage. Choose Mondays, Tuesdays or Thursdays in the Rose Hill area of Kirkland, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

We have a large meeting room in a welcoming church. We usually host about between 6-12 seniors, sometimes a few more or less. You'll be with two knowledgeable staff daily and usually another volunteer. If you can arrive at 9 a.m. to help set up chairs, etc, assist with the activities of the day, serve and share lunch, and help tidy up at the end of the day, then this is a great fit. A 6-hour shift is preferred. Shorter shifts are also very helpful.

Come help us create a welcoming environment of fun, respect and joy. Background check will be requested.

7525 132nd Ave NE Kirkland, WA 98033 425-681-9776

#### Want to connect with other artists? Become a VALA Art Center Volunteer.

VALA is seeking volunteers to act as Art Center Stewards. Stewards are the life blood of VALA. We can't open our doors without you! As a volunteer, you will have the opportunity to use your skills, connect with artists and the public while helping operate this very special community-based public art venue in Redmond. You don't have to be an artist. We are looking for volunteers who are passionate about art, enjoy interacting with the public and are committed to raising awareness about art

in our community. This is an ongoing position requiring a commitment of about 6 hours per month and includes opportunities to display your art.

Responsibilities include:

- Opening and closing the center
- Greeting guests as they arrive
- Distributing information about VALA and our programming
- Familiarizing yourself with the artwork on display and directing visitors to artist contact information
- Other opportunities as they arise

If you want to become more connected with the Redmond art scene and are interested in volunteering, please fill out our form here: <http://valaeastside.org/index.php/volunteer/>

7525 166th Ave NE

Redmond Town Center (Near Macy's)

<http://valaeastside.org/>

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Volunteer with Medical Teams International

Help us prepare our medical and health product donations for shipment to more than 100 countries!

By Volunteering in the Distribution Center you are directly helping both the doctors and patients affected by disaster and poverty worldwide. Volunteers will gain better knowledge of medical supplies, shipping, distribution processes, as well as a general knowledge of safely working around warehouse equipment (e. forklift).

General Warehouse: Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

- \* Boxing and inventorying product \* Pre-sorting medical supplies
- \* Building and shrink-wrapping pallets \* Completing computer work related to pallets
- \* Loading shipping containers with product
- \* Janitorial, including sweeping and mopping floors
- \* Assist in other areas within the warehouse as needed

Tools and Equipment Used:

- \* Hand truck/Pallet Jack \* Tape gun \* Shrink wrap machine \* Box Cutter

Desired Minimum Qualifications/Physical Demands:

- \* Basic awareness of warehouse safety \* Must be mobile
- \* Able to lift 30 lbs. \* Able to stand and walk for extended periods of time

Commitment: Flexible shifts available on Mondays 1:00-5:00pm, Tuesdays 10:00am-5:00pm, Wednesdays 9:00am-5:00pm.

9680 153rd Avenue NE

Redmond, WA 98052 Phone (425) 454-8326

Website: <http://www.medicalteams.org>

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Goodwill Redmond: Stop by or call about volunteering

15301 NE 24th St.

Redmond, WA 98052

(425) 649-2080

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*Volunteer Opportunities with Animals:*

Horse Rescue: Safe Harbor Stables

10407 192nd Ave NE

Redmond, WA 98053

We are looking for energetic volunteers to help with daily chores at Safe Harbor Stables located in Redmond. As a barn volunteer, you will help feed and water the horses, clean the horses' stalls and paddocks, clean grain pans, and sweep the

barn aisles. You will also have an opportunity to provide much needed love and affection to the SAFE rescue horses. We have two primary chore shifts every day of the week: 9 am to noon and 4:30 pm to 7 pm. A 2-hour orientation is required for all barn volunteers. Orientations are scheduled regularly on Saturdays. Familiarity with horses is helpful but not required.

Volunteer Application: <https://www.volgisitics.com/vex/portal.dll/ap?AP=935494161>

- Must be at least 16
- Orientation or Training Required
- A 2-3 hour weekly shift
- A 3 month commitment.

**Motley Zoo:** <https://www.motleyzooanimalrescue.org/>

Email: [info@motleyzoo.org](mailto:info@motleyzoo.org)  
23315 NE Redmond Fall City Rd #522  
Redmond WA 98053  
Voicemail: (206) 453-8480

**Regional Animal Services of King County (RASKC)** (there is a Kirkland Shelter)

<https://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/regional-animal-services/get-involved/volunteer-program.aspx>

Volunteer Questions? Email us at [RASKC.Volunteers@kingcounty.gov](mailto:RASKC.Volunteers@kingcounty.gov) or call 206-225-4899

**Meow Cat Rescue:**

10600 NE 68th, Suite F  
Kirkland, WA 98033  
(p) 425.822.6369

<http://www.meowcatrescue.org/volunteer/index.html>

#### **Look into Volunteering with Resource Center Organizations:**

**Friends of Youth:**

Friends of Youth has a variety of volunteer opportunities to help at their youth shelter. Talk with them in the resource center, or if you have any questions, or you wish to join our email list for updates on current volunteer happenings, contact our volunteer coordinator. Volunteer Coordinator (425) 869-6490 x309

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**YWCA Court-Ordered Community Service Opportunities:**

The YWCA has a number of projects and volunteer activities, here in Redmond and in other locations.

You may speak to the YWCA rep in the resource center or contact YWCA Volunteer Services and be cleared before you begin your volunteer hours. Contact us at 206.481.3214 or [volunteer@ywcaworks.org](mailto:volunteer@ywcaworks.org).

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**Worksource:**

Worksource Redmond has opportunities for Community Court participants to help around the office for CSH credit. Help with filing, shredding, copying, other office tasks.

To find out more, talk to the Worksource Rep in the Resource Center, or call 425-861-3700

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**NAMI Eastside:**

Help this all volunteer organization that advocates for mental health with office and organization tasks. Ask in resource center or call 425-885-6264





## Appendix F

### Education for Community Service Hours Credit Options

#### **Community Court in Redmond**

#### **Education for Community Service Hours Credit Options**

Community Court participants can request to fulfill some of their community service hours via education. You may be able to take online or in person classes, in any subjects you feel would help you in your life to grow, get a job, or be healthier/happier at home.

To use this option, you will need to propose the courses and how many Community Service hours credit you wish to get credit for. You can get help from the library, the coordinator Ericka, volunteers in the Resource Center, your attorney or library staff (either during Wednesday resource center or at the branch info desk during library hours) to put together a list to bring to Judge P. You will want to let the judge know how long you think the courses will take/how much time you would like credit for, and then make sure there is some way to confirm you have completed the courses.

#### Here are some ideas you can look into:

1. Online Courses: Your library card gives you access to a large number of free online courses. This link will take you there <https://kcls.org/resources-types/courses-training/> or visit the Redmond Library home page, click on "online library" at the top of the page, and then click on "education and training."
  - There are many options here, the best one is called "Lynda". This program has a ton of different classes, and each one tells you how long it will take. You will need to have an estimate of the length of time it will take you to do these classes. As well, Lynda generates a completion certificate when you finish. Full list of subjects on Lynda: <https://www.lynda.com/subject/all>
  - If you choose another program, again make sure it generates something that will prove you completed the course.
  - You may look around for other free online courses to take as well, you do not have to do Lynda. Here are a few possibilities:
    - o Alison: free online courses <https://alison.com/>
    - o <https://www.open2study.com/courses>
    - o This has listings of a bunch of different online/free schools and classes that come with certificates! <https://www.trade-schools.net/articles/free-online-courses.asp>
    - o Also consider taking computer skills courses, there are tons free online, just search for the program or skill you wish to learn!
2. In Person Classes/Meetings/Support Groups: You can also go to classes/meetings in person that you believe would benefit you. This might be parenting courses, support groups for any health or social issue you might be experiencing, or even a cooking class to improve you or your family's health. Again, just make sure to get proof of attendance. You can use the Community Service Hours log sheet (have the leader of the group sign), or provide a flier or sheet you were given at the session.

#### Here are some groups/classes that would be appropriate and you might be interested in:

EASTSIDE NAMI: National Alliance on Mental Illness

#### Redmond Peer Support Groups:

NAMI Eastside Peer Support Groups are confidential and safe support groups for adults living with mental illness. These groups meet weekly and are led by trained individuals with lived experience of mental illness. All groups are confidential and are provided free of charge. No RSVP required.

Every Wednesday -- DAYTIME 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm and EVENING 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm The Together Center, Adams Room 16225 NE 87th St. Redmond, WA 98052

### MONTHLY FORUMS

NAMI Eastside hosts monthly educational forums that cover a variety of topics about mental health. No registration is required, and all the forums are free to attend! [Check out our Forum page to learn more about past presentations.](#) All forums are on the third Thursday of every month from 7:00pm - 9:00pm, and are held at:

Evergreen Health Medical Center, Suite Tam 100  
12303 NE 130th Lane  
Kirkland WA 98034

### ONE Caregiver Educational Support Group (FREE)

FREE group designed for caregivers (bio/adoptive/foster parents and kinship providers) of youth & young adults w/ mental health and/or substance abuse problems. Over time chronic stress of caregiving often undermines the caregiver's health and well-being. Together we find ways to better care for ourselves. We don't live in denial about the challenging situations we face every day. We've just decided we want to learn how to dance in the rain instead of waiting for the rain to stop before we enjoy living our lives! Group meets once/month for "Self-Care Saturday." Call Brenda for more info. [Email Dr. Dr. Brenda Butterfield about this group](#) or call (425) 615-6263

Redmond Public Library - Conference Room  
15990 NE 85th Street  
Redmond, Washington 98052  
[\(425\) 615-6263](tel:4256156263)

### AA/NA, Addiction, or Other Support Groups:

If it is not a condition of a treatment program you are a part of, you may get credit for attending sober support or other addiction support groups. Here is a list of Eastside AA meetings, you can find others online, or there is usually an AA/NA rep in the Resource Center you can get info from.

<https://www.eastsideintegrated.com/meeting-schedule/>

[Meetup.com Support Groups](#). Many more topics of support can be found through meetup.com. These are generally not led by professionals, but are just regular folks getting together to support one another. You will still have to ask someone to vouch for you that you attended.

<https://www.meetup.com/topics/support-group/us/wa/kirkland/>

### Worksource

Worksource holds classes and workshops all over the NW related to job seeking, resumes, and interviewing. You can speak to the Worksource rep in the Resource Center (who will likely have a handout with the Redmond classes listed) or go online at the following link to find out where/when and what topics are being covered.

<http://www.worksourcewa.com/microsite/Content.aspx?appid=VAWORKSHOPS&pagetype=simple&scope=workshops&calendar&wechname=worksource-seattle-king&area=Seattle-King%20County>

### Overlake Christian Church Groups

9900 Willows Rd NE, Redmond, WA 98052 / (425) 702-0303

Overlake SUPPORT GROUPS are here to help you make it through challenging and sometimes devastating times of life. We know that life will improve through the peace of Jesus Christ and the support of others. Walking the same road together with others will help you heal. [Email / 425.895.5923](#)

[Groups for Women](#)

[ABIGAIL'S \(Domestic Abuse Support\)](#)

[Groups for Men](#)

[PRODIGAL HOMECOMING \(Sexual Addiction Recovery\)](#)

[Groups for Men and Women](#)

**DIVORCE RECOVERY** (Mondays - 7 pm)

**DIVORCECARE** (Tuesdays - 7 pm)

**GRIEF SHARE - Loss of a Loved One** (Wednesdays - 7 pm)

**JOIL SEARCH**

Groups for Children

**DCAR - DIVORCECARE FOR KIDS**

offered to the children of parents attending OCC's DivorceCare for CR support groups

### **Hopelink:**

If you need some English language help or adult education (like a GED class), get in touch with Hopelink. Visit them in the Resource Center or at <https://www.hopelink.org/location/redmond-center>

### **Parenting Classes:**

Youth Eastside Services: <https://www.youtheastideservices.org/> Call for info on classes: 425-747-4937

Friends of Youth: <http://www.friendsofyouth.org/parentingResources.aspx>

Simplicity Learning: <http://www.simplicitylearning.org/parenttot.aspx>

**KINDERING** Bellevue/Redmond

### **Parenting Plus Parent Education Classes (Bellevue)**

Parenting Plus is a 10-week group class designed to support and strengthen parents in areas where they may be challenged, including:

- Building appropriate self-esteem in your child
- Effective communication
- Managing anger (both yours and your child's)
- Stress
- Growth and development of children
- Behavior management
- Establishing family routines, including bedtime
- Other topics of interest include: the effect of media on children and children transitioning between two homes.

These free classes are open to all parents and caregivers who are interested in strengthening their parenting skills; you do NOT need to have a child enrolled at Kindering to participate. Classes are geared towards parents whose children are ages 12 or younger, both with and without special needs.

#### **Class schedule**

Parenting Plus is taught in English four times per year (September, November, March and May). Kindering also offers Parenting Plus classes in Spanish and in Russian two times per year, in the fall and spring. Each session meets for ten weeks on Monday evenings, from 6:00pm to 8:00 pm. Contact us for 2018-19 sessions, the next begins in September.

We also offer a support group for graduates of the Parenting Plus Program, which meets at Kindering on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 6:00pm to 8:00 pm.

*\*Kindering sometimes offers other workshops or classes that might be of interest, check out their website: <https://kindering.org/>*

### **Evergreen Health in Kirkland:**

Evergreen has all kinds of free and low cost classes that might help you improve some aspect of your life. There are parenting courses, healthy cooking/eating courses, courses to learn to meditate, course to manage health issues you might have, many of these are free.

Schedule and info: [https://evergreenhealth.healthlines.org/wlp2/?\\_ga=2.113666567.106231788.1532370036.1860079823.1527613225#1/classes/search](https://evergreenhealth.healthlines.org/wlp2/?_ga=2.113666567.106231788.1532370036.1860079823.1527613225#1/classes/search)

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## **Volunteers of America: Renter Certification Trainings**

### **Renter Certification**

- Do you have a problematic rental history?
- Are you being denied housing and you're not sure why?
- Are you familiar with your rights as a tenant?
- Are you a new rental professional needing to learn the basics?
- Are you an experienced rental professional wanting to audit the class?

### **Renter Certification & FAIR HOUSING Training:**

Knowledge is power. The more tenants and landlords are familiar with their rights and responsibilities, the easier it will be for both to ensure their needs are met. Taught by specialists in Landlord-Tenant and Fair Housing, our Renter Certification & Fair Housing training will introduce you to the following:

- Rights and responsibilities of Landlords and Tenants
- Fair housing laws and how they apply to you
- What landlords look for in the screening and application process
- Soft skills to help stabilize housing and minimize evictions
- Community resources to assist Tenants in successfully obtaining housing

Participants receive a certificate upon completion that entitles them to free Landlord-Tenant mediation and boosts their rental resume.

Go to this address to see upcoming dates: <https://www.voanw.org/rentercertification>

**Solid Ground Free Courses in Food/Budget Skills:** these are in Seattle, if you are located over there they are a great resource for advice and help as well.

**Schedule of Upcoming Events:** <https://www.solid-ground.org/get-involved/events/>

### **Some of Their Courses:**

**Goal Setting Workshop-taking control of finances (4 part workshop 2 hrs each)** <https://www.solid-ground.org/events/goal-setting-workshop-financial-fitness-boot-camp/>

**Shop Smart Class:** picking good groceries, budgeting, finding bargains, reading labels. <https://www.solid-ground.org/events/shop-smart-event-day/>

## **Grief Support Meetings**

### **Kirkland Compassionate Friends: Grief Support Meetings**

<http://www.tcfeastside.org/home.aspx>

### **Redmond Survivors of Suicide Loss**

Where: Redmond Library  
15990 N.E. 85th St., Redmond  
What: Peer support group for people who have experienced suicide loss  
When: Third Monday of the month, 7-8:30 p.m.  
Cost: Free  
To join: Come to a meeting  
Contact: Email Chelsea and Lisa at [SOSEastside@gmail.com](mailto:SOSEastside@gmail.com)